

Application No. 10/666,252  
Amendment dated April 24, 2006  
Reply to Office Action of January 23, 2006

Docket No.: 0171-1016P

### REMARKS

#### *Nonstatutory Obviousness-Type Double Patenting*

Claims 1 and 2 have been rejected on the grounds of nonstatutory obviousness-type of double patenting over claims 1 and 2 of US '565 (US Patent 6,987,565) in view of Huber US '976 (US 4,989,976).

Applicants have submitted herewith a Terminal Disclaimer.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit the rejection of obviousness-type double patenting has been rendered moot and request that the Examiner withdraw this rejection.

### CONCLUSION

Based upon the amendments and remarks presented herein, the Examiner is respectfully requested to issue a Notice of Allowance clearly indicating that each of the pending claims 1-2 are allowed under the provisions of Title 35 of the United States Code.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Gerald M. Murphy, Jr. (Reg. No. 28,977) at the telephone number below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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